

Learning together with courage and kindness 'For the good of all' 1 Corinthians 12



St James News

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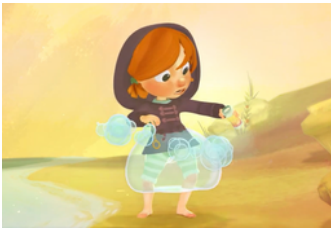
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**MOMENTS
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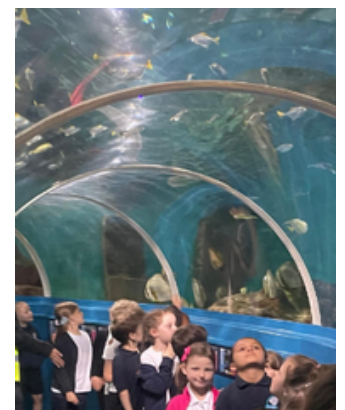
Attendance this week: 95.6%
School & Trust target: 96%

Dear St James Families,

Welcome back everyone to Term 6. I can't believe we are on the final term of the year already! This term's curriculum driver is ADVENTURE and it has already started with some exciting experiences for the children. As always the children have started with a shared story, which this time was in the form of online videos. The younger ones watched Bubbles by Gabby Zapata (www.literacyshed.com/bubbles.html), while the older ones watched Taking flight (www.literacyshed.com/takingflight.html)



The children across the school have also been involved in a range of immersive activities from tasting food, crafting a class aeroplane to a trip to the beach and a VR experience - thanks to Helping Hands for making these possible!



Staffing update:

We need to say a huge congratulations to Mrs Ash, who as an exceptional SENCO, has been appointed as the lead across the whole Trust. Mrs Ash will remain our SENCO in September and we will be looking to recruit a new Deputy/SENCO for St James in the new academic year. After Christmas Mrs Ash will then be working with the new appointment a day a week to enhance St James' SEN provision and ensure consistency and quality. We are all very proud of Mrs Ash and the excellent practice she will now be able to deliver to children across the whole Trust!

Helping Hands:



Contact us on:

helpinghandshanney@gmail.com.

Thank you to everyone who brought in bags for the Rags 2 Riches fundraiser - We weighted in 334kg and have received £133.60. 2 more future dates have been added to the calendar.

Tuesday 5th Nov 2024 - please drop off from Sunday 3rd Nov through to first thing Tuesday 5th Nov AM.

Monday 3rd March 2025 - please drop off from Sunday 2nd March through to first thing Monday 3rd March AM.




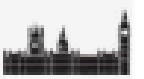






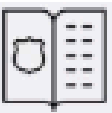



Our big summer event will be our Lego Fair, which we are just trying to confirm a date and timings for, so that the maximum amount of children are able to make it. Further detail to follow!





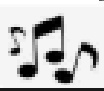



Celebration of learning:






Well done to all those children, who shared their out of classroom learning and achievements this week!



Key Dates for the Diary

<p>W/C 10th June</p> 	<p>Phonics Screening Check Y1 / Multiplication Check Y4 These will be carried out throughout the week, during school time.</p>
<p>12th June</p> 	<p>Y5/6 Cricket competition at Challow A cricket team will be selected from Years 5 and 6 to take part in the competition at Challow. More details to follow.</p>
<p>19th June</p> 	<p>VAT Olympics 9.30-2.15 (Y5) at King Alfreds Year 5 will be joining pupils from a number of VAT schools and taking part in their own mini-Olympics!</p>
<p>19th June</p> 	<p>VAT Pupil Parliament Meeting Selected Year 6 students take part in an online Pupil Parliament meeting, joined by pupils from King Alfred. This will take place during the school day.</p>
<p>20th June</p> 	<p>Y6 cake sale for World Refugee Day More details to follow.</p>
<p>25th –28th June</p> 	<p>Prayer Space Prayer space will be coming into school for the week and providing our children with a way to explore personal reflection and prayer for themselves using a selection of engaging and creative activities.</p>
<p>28th June</p> 	<p>Character and Citizenship Awards Presentation 9.10am A special presentation in the hall, where children in Years 2, 4 and 6 are presented with their Character and Citizenship Awards. Parents welcome.</p>
<p>W/C 1st July</p>  	<p>SEND Review parent meetings Parent teacher meetings to review ISPs and set outcomes for next year</p> <p>Bikeability (Y6) Year 6 will take part in cycling proficiency lessons during the week, providing them with the skills and knowledge to ride their bikes safely</p>
<p>3rd July</p> 	<p>Sports Awards (Y6) 5.30 - 7.00pm An exciting evening, where Year 6 children who have shown particular skill in sports this year attend the VAT Sports Awards at The Beacon. Winners' parents are also invited.</p>
<p>7th July TBC</p>	<p>Lego Fair 10am-12pm TBC More details to follow</p>
<p>9th July</p> 	<p>Reports sent home Reports will be sent home at the end of the day. A copy will also be shared on Dojo.</p> <p>KS2 SATs results day SATs results will be shared in your child's report envelope.</p>
<p>10th July</p>  	<p>Sports Day 09.30 - 11.30 (Yrs 2-6) Having been rained-off last term, we will attempt Sports Day again! Sports morning will start at approx. 9:15/30am.</p> <p>Character and Citizen Platinum Awards 4-6pm Williams Racing, Grove (Winners' parents invited) More details to follow</p>
<p>11th July</p> 	<p>Transition Day and King Alfreds Transition Day The children get to spend the day in their new classroom and get to know their new teacher. More information to follow</p>

14th July 	Year 6 Treat More details to follow! Funded by Helping Hands
17th July 	Reception Stay and Play 2.30pm in Inkpen Class More details to follow
18th July 	Y6 dress rehearsal Year 6 will perform their dress rehearsal of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' for Nursery-Year 2 children in school in the morning and for Year 3-Year 5 children at the British Legion in the afternoon
19th July 	Nursery Graduation 12.15pm Parents are invited to join Donaldson for a family picnic to celebrate their Nursery graduation! More details to follow Year 6 performance of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' to parents 6pm Families are invited to the British Legion for what promises to be a swashbuckling adventure of a performance! More details to follow.
22nd July 	iRock Concert 2.15pm Parents of our iRock musicians are invited to their final concert of the year!
23rd July 	Break the Rules Day! Organised as a fundraising event by this year's School Council More details to follow
24th July 	Y6 Leavers' Service at Church 10am Year 6 parents are invited to join us at the church to say farewell to our Year 6 children.
25th July 	Last day of term School finishes 12.30 Have a wonderful Summer Holiday!

<h2 style="text-align: center;">After School Enrichment Clubs</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">3:20pm-4:15pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Clubs are £3.00 per session, please book via Parentmail</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This clubs are enrichment opportunities, not childcare *charged via provider not £3.00 a session</i></p>				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 iRock Who: Reception upwards Where: Library Booking direct with iRock*	Rounders Who: Yr 3 – Yr6 Where: Field Mr C and Mr D 	 Multi Sports Who: Reception – Yr2 Where: MUGA/ Field	 Martial Arts Who: Yr 2- 6 Where: Hall	
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